

In Recognition of Stanford Yuen

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Hawai'i, a Master of Science in Industrial Engineering from the University of Southern California, and Master of Business Administration degree from Pepperdine University, putting these degrees to use by beginning his career in engineering and the aerospace industry from 1966 to 1971 as a Design Engineer for Boeing Aircraft, the Lockheed Corporation, and Litton Industries before excelling in the business sector as a stockbroker and account executive for Dean Witter & Co. from 1971 to 1975; and

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen began his distinguished tenure of service to the federal government at Hickam Air Force Base in 1975 as a Mechanical Engineer and, from 1978 to 1982, Head of Industrial Engineering, eventually serving as Head of the Public Works Support Branch responsible for all overseas military base operating support contracts before working as a liaison for the Navy, retiring in 2012 as a Senior Advisor and Special Assistant to the Admiral, Navy Region Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen has made great contributions to the University of Hawai'i, teaching Engineering Economics classes on evenings from 1979 to 1992, earning a Hawai'i Lifetime Achievement Award in Engineering and being honored as one of the Distinguished Alumni of the University of Hawai'i's College of Engineering in 2014, while also being named to the University's Board of Regents; and

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen has been praised by members of Hawai'i's congressional delegation for his impressive track record of accomplishments in improving the welfare and security of the islands, providing valuable insight and advice to civilian and military leadership on initiatives benefiting the state, including the Ford Island Development plan; and

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen has long been a pillar of both the Chinese community and Honolulu's Chinatown, working to improve the quality of life of all of Chinatown's residents through service in a number of leadership positions, including the Downtown Honolulu Neighborhood Board; as past Director of the Hawai'i Arts Alliance, Culture & Arts District; Director of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce; Past President of Mun Lun School, the nation's oldest Chinese language school; and

WHEREAS, Stanford Yuen has balanced his many professional and civic responsibilities with an enriching family life, as recognized by the United Chinese Society in 2014, who bestowed on him the prestigious title of "Model Chinese Father of the Year" in honor of his outstanding example of being a great father to his four daughters and nine grandchildren:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, SHAN S. TSUTSUI, Lieutenant Governor for the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim June 22, 2014, as

"STANFORD YUEN DAY"

in Hawai'i, and ask all citizens of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing the character and leadership he has displayed in his service to many of the communities in our islands while maintaining the highest personal standards as a model family man.

DONE at the State Capitol, in Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this nineteenth day of June, 2014.

NEL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

SHAN S. TSUTSUI

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i